

A memorial of Howard Griffith and Caleb Griffith, of Montgomery county, praying that certain lands which were conveyed to them and their brothers by Greenbury Griffith, who omitted to take the oath of allegiance to this state, which are liable to the treble tax, may in future be released from the same, was preferred and read.

An account of Thomas Sollers, naval officer at Baltimore, of the duties on negroes imported into his district, was preferred and read, and referred to the committee of claims.

William Hemsley, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the resolve sent up this morning by Mr. John Henry and Mr. M'Mechen, endorsed; "By the senate, April 6, 1780: Read" and assented to.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

And the following message:

BY THE SENATE, APRIL 6, 1780.

GENTLEMEN,

WE agree to a free conference on the subject of your message by Messieurs Key and M'Mechen, and have appointed Charles Carroll of Carrollton, Thomas Stone, and Brice T. B. Worthington, Esquires, to meet and confer with the gentlemen you may appoint.

By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

Which was read, and the following message prepared and sent to the senate by Mr. Smith and Mr. Wilmer:

BY THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, APRIL 6, 1780.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR HONOURS,

THIS house have appointed Mr. M'Mechen, Mr. John Hall, Mr. John Henry, Mr. Chase, and Mr. Earle, to meet the conferrees appointed by your house.

By order,

F. GREEN, clk.

ORDERED, That the election of a delegate to congress, in the room of Mr. West, be referred until the conferrees appointed to consider the eligibility of gentlemen balloted out, and the mode of procedure to be adopted in the future election of delegates, make their report.

Robert Goldsborough, Esq; from the senate, delivers to Mr. Speaker the bill, entitled, An act to aid the proceedings of the commissioners of the tax, and for other purposes, thus endorsed; "By the senate, April 6, 1780: Read the first time and ordered to lie on the table.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk.

"By the senate, April 6, 1780: Read the second time by especial order and will pass.

"By order,

H. RIDGELY, clk."

Which was ordered to be engrossed.

ORDERED, That 100 copies of the said act be immediately printed and sent to the different counties in this state.

The house adjourns till half past 2 o'clock.

P O S T M E R I D I E M.

The house met.

The order of the day being read, the house proceeded on a second reading of the petition of Robert Long, and having heard the said Robert Long in support thereof, and the Principio company, against whom the petition was exhibited, by their manager, the question was put, That the prayer of the said petition be granted? Resolved in the affirmative.

Leave given to the petitioner to bring in a bill accordingly.

The house adjourns till to-morrow morning half past 8 o'clock.

F R I D A Y, April 7, 1780.

THE house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read. Mr. S. Hanson has leave of absence on account of the indisposition of his family. Mr. Brown has leave of absence for ten days.

Mr. Stricker, from the committee appointed to consider and report on the petition of capt. Alexander L. Smith, &c. brings in and delivers to Mr. Speaker the following report:

THE committee appointed to take into consideration and report on the petition of capt. Alexander L. Smith, on behalf of himself and the rifle companies raised in this state, and the four companies belonging to the German battalion raised in said state, are of opinion, that the rifle companies and that part of the German battalion raised as aforesaid ought to be incorporated. Although your committee perceive, that the general in his letter hath mentioned, that the German battalion entire should belong to the state of Maryland, your committee are informed, that the companies belonging to and raised by the state of Pennsylvania and Maryland are very averse to such incorporation, and that the state of Pennsylvania are about to annex or incorporate other detached corps to their companies of the German battalion, and therefore this committee, upon the